ARCS Foundation Scholar Award

More information and application form can be found at https://grad.uci.edu/funding/current-fellowships/.

Deadline: Tuesday, May 30th

UCI Graduate Division is pleased to announce the ARCS Foundation Scholar Award. ARCS Foundation Scholar Awards are intended to recognize and reward our most academically superior doctoral students exhibiting outstanding promise as scientists, researchers and leaders.

Award Amount

Each Scholar will receive an award in the amount of \$5,000 per year for two years; the second year is contingent upon continued satisfactory academic progress. Thus, selection during 2023-24 is expected to result in an aggregate two-year award of \$10,000. ARCS funding is in addition to existing support and may not be used as a substitute for other university support.

Eligibility Criteria

Nominees must have the following minimum criteria:

- Must have achieved a graduate level UC GPA of 3.5 or better through winter quarter 2023.
- Must have completed at least two years of full-time graduate study at UCI and have at least two years remaining before degree completion.
- Must be making satisfactory progress toward their degree goal.
- Must be a U.S. citizen.
- Must have identified their individual area of research interest and be willing to prepare
 a poster of their research for display at the ARCS Scholar Awards dinner to be held in
 March 2024.
- Must have exhibited excellent interpersonal and leadership abilities during their academic program.
- Must have advanced to candidacy at the time of application/nomination.

Stipulations

- 1. It is expected that the students will be able and willing to speak articulately about their career goals and research during an ARCS Foundation meeting.
- Acceptance of an ARCS Foundation Scholar Award may affect a student's need-based financial support package. In such cases, students are advised to consult with UCI's Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships.

Nomination Process

Select applicants will be required to participate in an interview where they are expected to speak about their career goals and research. **Interviews are tentatively scheduled for the week of June 4**th.

Application Materials

All nomination packages should include the following:

- A completed UCI ARCS Foundation Scholar Award Nomination Form
- A completed <u>Achievement Rewards for College Scientists Student Biographical Profile</u> with a 100-word student biography
- A current curriculum vitae
- A statement by the awardee of no more than 2-3 pages in length describing their research project (in terms that are accessible to a general audience), progress to date, and plan for completion
- A confidential evaluation of the student by their faculty advisor (multiple letters are acceptable)
- A letter from your Program Advisor

Apply

Please submit your application materials to your program by Tuesday, May 30th.

Contact

For questions, contact Turner Dahl at tdahl@uci.edu.